

Frequently Asked Mitigation Questions

What is the deadline for Hurricane Dennis and Katrina Applications? June 1, 2006

Who needs to sign the HMGP application? The person in your entity who is authorized to apply for and receive federal grant funds.

Who do I need to send concurrence letters to? What are their addresses?

Historic Preservation and Archeology

Alabama Historical Commission (SHPO)
468 South Perry St
Montgomery, AL 36130
Attention: Elizabeth Brown, Acting SHPO

Fax: 334-262-1082

Threatened and Endangered Species

United States Fish and Wildlife Service(USFWS)
1208 Main Street
Daphne, AL 36526
Attention: Larry Goldman, Field Supervisor

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries
64 North Union Street
Suite 468
Montgomery, AL 36104
Attention: Mark Sasser

SOILS

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Coastal Zone Management

Alabama Department of Environmental Management
4171 Commanders Drive
Mobile, AL 36615-1421
Attention: Scott Brown, Coastal Section

Coastal Barriers Resources Act

United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
1208 Main Street
Daphne, AL 36526
Attention: Larry Goldman

Clean Water Act-Section 404 Permit

United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Mobile District

ADEM

Attn: Water Division

PO Box 301463

Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Attention: Troy Ephrain

State Drainage and Clean Water Permits

ADEM

Attn: Municipal Branch

PO Box 301463

Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Attention: Scott Brown

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit(NPDES)

Alabama Department of Environmental Management-Water Division

PO Box 301463

Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Attention: James McIndoe

Clean Air Act

Alabama Department of Environmental Management

Air Division

PO Box 301463

Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Attention: Lud Hoffman

Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management)

Alabama National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

ADECA

NFIP Division

PO Box 5690

Montgomery, AL 36103-5690

Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands)

United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Mobile District

Attention: Water District

PO Box 301463

Montgomery, AL 36130-1463

Alabama Dept of Environmental Management

Attention: Coastal Program

4171 Commanders Drive

Mobile, AL 36612-1421

Attention: Scott Brown

What are the minimum project criteria?

There are five issues you must consider when determining the eligibility of a proposed project.

Does your project conform to your State's Hazard Mitigation Plan? Local Plan?

Does your project provide a beneficial impact on the disaster area?

Does your application meet the environmental requirements?

Does your project solve a problem independently?

Is your project cost-effective?

How long will it take to get my project approved?

It is important for applicants to understand the approval process. Once eligible projects are selected by the State, they are forwarded to the FEMA Regional Office where they are reviewed to ensure compliance with Federal laws and regulations. One such law is the National Environmental Policy Act, passed by Congress in 1970, which requires FEMA to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of each proposed project. The time required for the environmental review depends on the complexity of the project.

Who is eligible to apply?

Eligible Applicants are:

State and local governments

Indian tribes or other tribal organizations

Certain non-profit organizations

Individual homeowners and businesses may not apply directly to the program; however a community may apply on their behalf.